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In re Application of:

James Duke BOND et al.

Application No.: 09/123,109

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Client Docket No.: RIC-97-120



Examiner: Gauthier, G.

Group Art Unit: 2645

For: PRE-PAID TELEPHONE CALLING CARD HAVING AN ASSOCIATED PRE-RECORDED PERSONAL GREETING

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 27, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in view of the following remarks.


REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

The Office Action mailed September 27, 2002 rejected claims 19, 27, and 31 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by *Taskett*. (US 5,923,734); claims 1, 10, and 16 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103 based on *Taskett* in view of *Moen et al.* (US 5,864,604); claims 2 and 18 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on *Taskett* in view of *Moen et al.* in further view of *Khuc et al.* (US 5,828,740); claims 3-4 and 11-12 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREV. PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	33	MINUS	33	0	\$18	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	6	0	\$84	\$ 0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>September 27, 2002</u> to and through <u>December 6, 2002</u> , for an extension of: <input type="checkbox"/> One month (\$110) <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (\$400) <input type="checkbox"/> Three months (\$920) <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (\$1440)						\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE:						\$ 0.00

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Payment of \$ ___ by Credit Card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 13-2491, including any filing fees under 37 CFR § 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: December 6, 2002

I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on December 6, 2002.

 Date: 12/6/02
Karlyn J. Geiger